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C.2 **RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES**

OF THE

SELECTMEN

OF THE

TOWN OF BRENTWOOD

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 19, 1869.

AND REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

EXETER:

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

THE SELECTMEN CHARGE THEMSELVES WITH THE FOLLOWING, VIZ.

Received from the town treasury of last year,	\$1012 26
“ Orin Sanborn, Collector,	5993 58
“ Personal property sold at auction,	905 00
“ “ “ not sold at auction,	313 74
“ State Treasury, R. Road tax, Sav. Bank dividend and Literary money,	356 17
“ County for the support of paupers,	251 28
“ Hired money,	100 00
Sum total,	<u>\$3932 03</u>

THE SELECTMEN CREDIT THEMSELVES WITH THE FOLLOWING.

Paid State Tax,	\$1550 00
County Tax,	664 60
Joseph Jewell note and interest on notes,	1140 91
A. J. Towle note and interest,	755 75
B. Veazey “ “	281 74
G. W. Swain “ “	217 09
John Kelsey “ “	190 70
Joseph Brown “ “	208 50
G. O. and D. Sanborn note and interest,	498 28
E. T. Gordon “ “	318 00
Dor. Morrill “ “	501 09
Stephen Dow for interest on note,	121 80
Josiah S. Willey “ “	18 00
J. F. Robinson “ “	60 00
Eph. Robinson “ “	21 50

Paid John W. Dudley for interest on note,	18 00
D. R. Fellows " "	18 00
A. F. Fitts note and interest,	126 74
A. J. Hoyt, for printing town accounts of 1868,	15 00
A. R. Wiggin for Charles Roberts' Coffin,	13 50
G. E. Lane for books and stationery,	4 26
W. W. Stickney for advice,	1 00
G. O. Sanborn for breaking road in the winter of '66,	12 00
Stephen Dow " " " "	6 56
S. A. Prescott " " " "	5 25
Dist. No. 12, for breaking roads in winter of '67 & '68,	61 63
Moses Caverly for recording births and deaths,	4 00
Supplies at the town farm,	338 79
School district No. 1, Stephen Dow, Committee,	232 20
" " No. 2, R. J. Parshley, "	157 00
" " No. 3, West End, W. H. Hook, Com.	80 00
" " " East End, J. R. Swasey, Com.	100 00
" " No. 4, J. W. Marshall, "	135 39
W. Copp school tax,	1 08
A. R. Wiggin Chair for Dolly Waite,	3 75
G. S. Gear for sawing,	2 22
B. Maston for lettering guideboards,	15 00
Expense of setting guide posts and making the same,	14 67
H. G. Hubbard for superintending the schools,	10 00
A. J. Hoyt advertising the town farm,	6 00
Different individuals for bridge plank and labor on bridges,	58 22
W. C. Patten auctioneer at the farm,	10 00
" " revenue tax,	3 40
B. F. LaBree as town clerk,	25 09
Different individuals over tax,	14 66
Highway tax worked out of non-resident,	37 31
Tax abated and over taxed,	48 38
Discount on taxes paid before Sept. 1,	207 03
B. Goodrich for superintending at the farm,	215 00
Oren Sanborn for collecting taxes,	50 00
" " constable,	6 00
John Brown as Selectmen,	12 00

Paid John Brown as Treasurer,	12 00
“ “ Overseer of poor,	4 00
“ “ Extra services,	11 00
Rail-road fare to pay State tax,	2 50
J. B. T. Graves services as Selectmen,	12 00
“ “ Overseer of the poor,	4 00
“ “ Extra services,	3 00
C. C. S. Stevens services as Selectmen,	12 00
“ “ Overseer of the poor,	4 00
“ “ Extra services,	3 00

JOHN BROWN, } *Selectmen*
 J. B. T. GRAVES, } *of*
 C. C. S. STEVENS, } *Brentwood.*

We the undersigned, Auditors, have examined the Selectmen's accounts, and find them as exhibited to us, correctly cast, and well vouched; and find in the Treasurer's hands One Hundred and Ninety-six Dollars and Fifty-nine cents.

Also due from the Collector, Oren Sanborn, Three Hundred and Six Dollars and Ten cents.

ROBERT ROWE, } *Auditors.*
 FREDERIC ROBINSON, }

Brentwood, Feb. 19, 1869.

BRIEF STATEMENT OF THE SALES AT THE FARM.

The Selectmen sold at auction personal property for which they have received pay,	\$905 00
Sold by B. Goodrich, butter, eggs, poultry, lambs, &c.,	313 74
“ the Selectmen not collected,	30 00
Remaining at the farm unsold, 3 tons of M. Hay,	24 00
“ Household furniture as prized by Selectmen,	100 00
Your com. have bargained the farm to Amos Stickney for	2500 00

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN FEB. 19, 1869.

Notes due different individuals,	\$11,790 67
Due School District No. 2,	37 41
“ “ No. 3, West End,	32 46
“ “ “ East End,	12 46
“ “ No. 4,	25 00
Sum Total,	\$11,898 00

AVAILABLE RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from the government,	\$1680 00
“ Orin Sanborn, Collector,	806 10
“ John Brown, Treasurer,	196 59
“ Sale of the farm,	2500 00
“ The town of Plaistow for G. Flander's board,	14 30
“ Personal property not paid,	80 00
“ Household furniture as prized by Selectmen,	100 00
“ Thomas Judd on execution,	123 13
Total,	<hr/> \$5490 12

The indebtedness of the town Feb. 19, 1869 is, \$6407 88
 Leaving the debt less than last year, 5622 12

JOHN BROWN, } Selectmen
 J. B. T. GRAVES, } of
 C. C. S. STEVENS, } Brentwood.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintending School Committee.

FOR THE

TOWN OF BRENTWOOD

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1869.

In commencing this report, your Committee would state that Rev Mr. Hubbard the regular Committee, removed from town the latter part of the Autumn, and neglected to leave a report of the Summer and Fall schools. The present Committee was not appointed until the first of December, and consequently can give no report of those schools, other than can be obtained from the Teachers' register, and from persons who visited them.

The schools as a whole have enjoyed as good a degree of prosperity this year as they ever have in past years. The teachers have all been faithful and assiduous in their labors, and the schools have made a very considerable advancement.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

The Summer and Fall terms were taught by Mrs. M. E. Chase, who is an experienced teacher, and during these terms she has fully sustained her previous uniformly good reports.

The winter term was taught by Mr. James B. Martin. This was Mr. Martin's first experience as a teacher, and he has succeeded ad-

mirably. The patience and diligence which he has shown in one of the most irksome of a teacher's duties, that of teaching the younger scholars to read, is truly commendable. This is a duty, the performance of which teachers are too apt partially to neglect. This District has been very fortunate the past year in securing the services of two such teachers as Mrs. Chase and Mr. Martin.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

There were three terms of school in this district, twenty-seven weeks in the aggregate, all taught by Miss N. L. Judkins, who is an excellent teacher, and added to the good reputation which she earned last year in district No. four. She possesses in a great degree the power of infusing energy into her scholars.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

The school in the Eastern Division of this district was taught by Miss Hattie B. Moulton. That in the Western Division by Miss Nellie J. Sanborn. Both were good teachers, and considering the shortness of their terms, the schools made manifest improvement.

It is certainly very unfortunate that this district was ever divided. It is no larger than the others in town, and if the schools were united it would be able to maintain a very good Summer and Winter school. As it is at present, they have only two very short Summer schools, and almost as soon as the teachers get the schools fairly organized, and the scholars get interested in their studies, the school must close. The school-houses in this district are not fit externally or internally for the purpose for which they are used, and are in fact a disgrace to the district, and we hope that Mr. Hubbard's suggestion of last year will be acted upon at a time not far distant.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

This school was taught by Miss Sarah B. Clifford, who proved herself in every respect well qualified for her position, and has been an acceptable and successful teacher. The progress of the school was highly satisfactory.

In closing this report your committee would recommend the adoption by our schools of Prof. Guyot's new series of Geographies and Greenleaf's new Arithmetic. It is without doubt true that too frequent changes in text books are injurious to schools, but there are

exceptions to this rule as there are to all other good rules. Guyot's Geographies are in advance of all others, and are in fact the only ones which seem to have a general scientific plan running through the whole series. The Author, Prof. Guyot, stands preeminent in this Country as a Geographer, and bears the same relation to the science of Geography that Prof. Agassiz does to the science of Natural History. Greenleaf's New Arithmetic is the only one that gives prominence to the Metrical system of weights and measures, a system which it is the opinion of the leading minds throughout the world, will in a few years become international, and it is highly important that our scholars should become acquainted with it. The book should be adopted for that reason if for no other. These books have been introduced into nearly all the schools of this State, and throughout the Country. The Publishers will exchange for the old books now in use, upon payment of a very small sum.

A. W. DUDLEY, Sup. School Committee, *Pro Tem.*

Districts.	Terms.	Taught By.	No. of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Wages of Teachers.	Length in weeks.
No. 1.	Summer.	Mary E. Chase.	35	33	\$28.00	10 weeks.
"	Fall.	" "	39	33	"	10 "
"	Winter.	James B. Martin.	42	35	\$28.00	10 "
No. 2.	Summer.	Nancy L. Judkins.	39	32	\$22.00	9 "
"	Fall.	" "	37	31	\$22.00	6 "
"	Winter.	" "	41	36	\$22.00	12 "
No. 3.						
West.	Summer.	Nellie J. Sanborn.	18	10	\$16.00	7 "
"	Fall.	" "	10	8	"	9 "
East.	Summer.	Hattie B. Moulton.	16	14	\$16.50	9 "
"	Fall.	" "	17	13	\$17.50	13 "
No. 4.	Summer.	Sarah B. Clifford.	23	16	\$20.00	21 "

